

**Commission on Animal Care & Control**  
**Minutes of May 19, 2016 Commission Meeting**  
**Submitted for review and approved at July 21, 2016 meeting**

**Commissioners Attending (8 of 9)**

**Robyn Barbiers, DVM, IL licensed veterinarian (The Anti-Cruelty Society)**  
**Cynthia Bathurst, Vice Chair, private citizen (Safe Humane Chicago)**  
**Monique Moore-Hoffman, private citizen (CACC Volunteer)**  
**Charleen Propsom, private citizen (Friends of CACC)**  
**Paula Fasseas, humane society representative (PAWS Chicago)**  
**Carl Wasielewski, Chicago Police Department Member**  
**Loretta Miller, Chicago Health Department Member**  
**Juan Gonzalez, Chicago Department of Streets & Sanitation Member**

**Commissioners Absent (1 of 9)**

**Dave DeFuniak, humane society representative (Tree House Humane Society)**

**Also Attending**

**Susan Russell, Executive Director, CACC**  
**Ivan Capifali, Deputy Director, CACC**  
**Sue Cappello, Administrative Services Officer II, CACC**  
Members of the public

**Agenda Item #1: Determination of Quorum and Call to Order**

C. Bathurst called the meeting to order at 8:32 a.m. in the Auditorium of the Animal Care & Control Facility at 2741 S. Western Ave. Chicago. Quorum determined. To begin the meeting, the prepared agenda was reviewed.

**Agenda Item #2: Minutes of Previous Meetings**

Minutes from March regular meeting were reviewed and unanimously approved.

**Agenda Item #3: Report of Chairperson**

No Chairperson. Vice-Chair C. Bathurst reported that there are changes underway and the Commission will continue to work on public comment questions. C. Bathurst introduced the Susan Russell as the new Executive Director of Chicago Animal Care and Control.

**Agenda Item #4: Report of Executive Director**

- o Executive Director S. Russell reported on statistics, a new intake diversion program, CIV, construction, and current vacancies.

**Agenda Item #5: City Agency Reports**

- 5.1 Public Health Issues – CDPH reported on Zika Virus surveillance and bat sightings.
- 5.2 Streets and Sanitation Report – No report.
- 5.3 Chicago Police Department – No report.

**Agenda Item #6: Committee Reports**

- Euthanasia Policy Committee – (CB, CP, MMH, PF) the committee met several times on 2 different documents related to euthanasia the new Executive Director will review prior to sending to full committee.
- Dangerous Dog Committee – (CB, CP, MMH, RB, Diakhate). Will work on this policy after the Euthanasia policy is reviewed.

**Agenda Item #7: Other Business**

- 7.1 Discussion on the stray hold ordinance change for no hold on some animals. Motion to gather additional data from the 4 agencies allowed to hold stray animals to ensure that these statistics counted cats with no hold. Motion approved unanimously.

**Agenda Item #8: New Business**

- 8.1 Commissioner reports
- C. Bathurst reported on the Safe Humane Lifetime Bonds program and the IYC Program.

**Agenda Item #9: Public Comment and Announcements**

- C. Bathurst asked Ivan Capifali to report on the Emergency Evacuation plan by the City.
- Cindy Purtell – When will CACC return to spay/neuter for owner reclaims? S. Russell responded that CACC is working on it.
- Ramona Griffin – Cant a family who has a dog that already had CIV foster a CIV dog? R. Barbieres responded that there is no confirmation on immunity of the dog.
- Alex Shibicky – Would like clarification on the yellow tape in the back yard area and the tape needs to be fixed. A. Hamilton explained the tape situation and will replace the tape needing replacement.
- Jenny Jurcak – Why are dogs leaving unaltered and going to other states and sitting in cages with no accountability (3<sup>rd</sup> party transfers)? I. Capifali responded that it is not illegal for 3<sup>rd</sup> party transfers; S. Russell responded that rescues keep animals in kennels and CACC has a vetting process in place for all applications for Homeward Bound rescues.
- Katie Campbell – Who at CACC does behavior assessments for euthanasia? Why does CACC transfer animals to Animal Welfare League? Look at their numbers. Does CACC still use the yellow card when they find a stray animal?
- Wendy Gruhl – Would like more information on the CRISP Diversion program; groups involved / dates / contact info. S. Russell reported that CACC is working on the information to put on the website and to distribute to visitors.
- Susan Taney – Would like to thank CACC and CACC Volunteers for putting together events where microchips and pet ID tags were distributed to preserve the Human / Animal Bond.

**Agenda Item #10: Adjournment**

Next meeting scheduled for July 21, 2016 at 8:30 a.m. Next evening forum scheduled for June 21, 2016 at 6:30 p.m. Motion to adjourn the Commission meeting at 10:01 a.m., approved unanimously.